

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, February 14, 2017)
Generated by Sharon Ferris on Tuesday, February 14, 2017

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Tom Jarboe
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Commissioner John E. O'Connor
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

1. WELCOME

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:00 am in the Chesapeake Building meeting room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

Legislative Action

Dr. Bridgett noted that last evening word was received that there is a subcommittee hearing this afternoon on the capital budget proposing a cut to the FY2018 Land Preservation Funding and asked the Commissioners if they wanted to take a position to support continued Land Preservation Funding.

I move to support continuing Land Preservation Funding.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

2. PROCLAMATION

A Proclamation was presented to Philip Joseph on the occasion of his retirement from the Sheriff's Office.

3. PRESENTATION

A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT INSURANCE TRUST (LGIT) - Training Grant Award

Present: Tim Ailsworth, Executive Officer, Local Government Insurance Trust

Mr. Ailsworth presented the Commissioners a check in the amount of \$5,860 to provide onsite and interactive ADA training for 60 employees.

4. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 28, 2017. THERE WILL BE NO MEETING OF THE CSMC ON FEBRUARY 21, 2017.

B. CIRCUIT COURT - Grant Application to Expand Substance Abuse Treatment Capacity in Adult Treatment Drug Courts and Adult Tribal Healing to Wellness Courts - Title: SAMHSA Treatment Drug Courts Grant

I move to approve the grant application submission, consistent with the document reviewed by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County, for the SAMHSA Treatment Drug Courts Project from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in the amount of \$246,121.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

C. DEPT.OF HUMAN RESOURCES - Local Government Insurance Trust Training Grant

I move to approve the Local Government Insurance Trust (LGIT) training grant award, project #OT1704, on behalf of the Department of Human Resources to provide professional onsite ADA training for 60 employees in the amount of \$5,860; and the related budget amendment to establish budget authority and increase the project budget by \$5,860 and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

Abstain: Commissioner O'Connor

D. DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION - Adult Detention Center Draft Part II Detailed Project Description

I move to approve the Part II - Detailed Project Description for the Adult Detention Center Upgrades, Housing and Medical Units Project for submission to the State.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

E. DEPT. OF LAND USE AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT - Request County participation in the Community Rating System (CRS)

I move to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the letter to FEMA expressing County interest in joining the Community Rating System which will reward our citizens with discounted flood insurance premiums.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

F. DEPT. OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - FY2017 Continuum of Care Grant Modification #2 (Supplement)

I move to approve the FY2017 Continuum of Care Grant Modification #2 (Supplement), Project US1796, from the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene on behalf of the Department of Aging & Human Services to assist in providing permanent supportive housing, rental and utility subsidies to those experiencing severe and persistent mental illness and/or substance abuse issues and are identified as chronically homeless in the amount of \$186,650 and the related budget amendment to increase the project budget by \$14,800 and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

G. DEPT. OF RECREATION & PARKS - St. Mary's Gymnastics Center Third Addendum to Lease Agreement

I move to approve the Third Addendum to the Lease Agreement between the Patuxent Development Co., Inc. and the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on behalf of the Department of Recreation and Parks for the St. Mary's Gymnastics Center and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the Addendum and related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan
Nay: Commissioner O'Connor

H. DEPT. OF FINANCE - Budget Amendment to Realign Project Funding Sources

I move to approve and authorize Commissioner President Guy to execute the four budget amendments closing or reducing capital projects and restoring the FIN17 capital reserve by \$336,556 and approve and authorize Commissioner President Guy to execute the budget amendment reducing the FIN17 Capital Reserve and increasing the Three Notch Trail Phase 7 project by \$122,190.

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

I. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

I move to appoint the following person as an Alternate Member to the St. Mary's County Planning Commission with a term to expire as indicated.

<u>Planning Commission</u>	<u>Term Expiration</u>
Caroline King (alternate)	12/31/21

Motion by Commissioner John E. O'Connor, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

5. LEGISLATION

Present: Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator

An overview of items on the 2017 Legislative Status Report, prepared for the Commissioners on Friday, February 10, 2017, was presented. Of the bills requested by the Commissioners, 12 letters of support have been submitted, one bill has been withdrawn, and two repeals have not moved forward. SB736 regarding the Public Facility Bond request for \$26.3 million refers to the Capital Improvement Budget can be discussed this afternoon after the budget work session along with SB735 and SB737 which also pertains to CIP funding.

The Commissioners received three requests for letters of support.

(1) Charles County Commissioner President Murphy is seeking support on HB625 Criminal Law - Animal Abuse - Penalties and Restitution which gives restitution to Maryland counties for the cost of animal care when animals are removed from the owners due to acts of cruelty.

I move to send a letter of support for HB 625.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

(2) Citizens Melinda Brown & Lauren Drew are seeking support for SB268 Cownose Ray Fishing Tournaments - Prohibition,

I move to send a letter of support to ban Cownose Ray Fishing Tournament Competitions.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner John E. O'Connor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

(3) A letter was received from Governor Hogan requesting support to repeal the transportation scoring bill known as the Road Kill Bill.

I move we support the Governor in his effort to repeal the transportation scoring bill.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

A position on SB161 Transportation - Highway User Revenues and SB298 Saint Mary's County Sheriff, County Treasurer and State's Attorney compensation was not taken at this time.

6. MAIN AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

A. DEPT. OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Strategic Plan to Build an Innovation Driven Economy

Present: Chris Kaselemis, Director

Attracting a young and talented workforce through various means, targeting growth in identified and emerging industries, and building an ecosystem of innovation that facilitates growth of technology businesses are a part of the strategic plan to build an innovation driven economy. Although the strategy is focused on reducing reliance on NAS Patuxent River through diversification, it also provides strategies to facilitate growth of NAS Patuxent River.

I move to approve the Strategic Plan to Build an Innovation Driven Economy.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

B. DEPT. OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Tourism and Hospitality Master Plan

Present: Chris Kaselemis, Director

The following items were presented for discussion, consideration and direction: (1) Not renewing the Visitor Services Center contract with the Chamber of Commerce; (2) Linking the County's Accommodation Tax to the funding level of the tourism organization; and, (3) Creating an external agency as the lead agency to promote tourism in St. Mary's County. Staff will return with additional information regarding each item.

7. COMMISSIONER'S TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

I move to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel, Real Property, and Litigation.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan, O'Connor

A. PERSONNEL

PRESENT:

James R. Guy, President
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Tom Jarboe, Commissioner
Todd M. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Christine Fleming, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:06 am - 11:16 am

Purpose: To discuss personnel issues.

B. PERSONNEL

PRESENT:

James R. Guy, President
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Tom Jarboe, Commissioner
Todd M. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Human Resources
Joseph Stanalonis, Sr. State's Attorney
Christine Fleming, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:16 am - 11:26 am

Purpose: To discuss personnel issues.

C. LITIGATION STRATEGY

PRESENT:

James R. Guy, President
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Tom Jarboe, Commissioner
Todd M. Morgan, Commissioner
John E. O'Connor, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
George Sparling, County Attorney
Jeannett Cudmore, Chief Financial Officer
Christine Fleming, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(2) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 11:29 am - 12:41 pm

Purpose: To discuss litigation.

9. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:41 pm.

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on 2/28/17

SLF
Sharon Ferris, Senior Administrative Coordinator

10. BUDGET WORK SESSION

The Budget Work Session focused on Capital Projects.

As a follow-up to the Legislation portion of the morning business meeting, the Commissioners agreed to support SB161 Transportation - Highway User Revenues - Allocation.

11. ADJOURN